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For: ALUMINUM ALLOY FOR RAPIDLY COOLED WELDING AND WELDING  
METHOD THEREFOR

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Sir:

This paper is filed in response to the Office Action dated January 25, 2005, in connection with the above-identified patent application. Applicants respectfully request reconsideration and withdrawal of the rejections in view of the following amendments and remarks.

**Amendments** to the claims begin on page 2.

**Remarks** begin on page 3.